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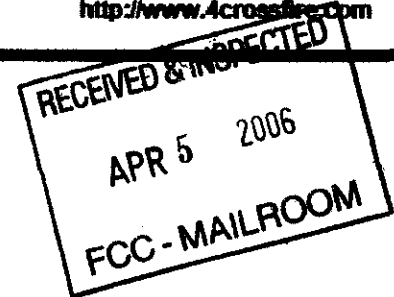
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March 30, 2006

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Federal Communications Commission
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Petition for Exemption from Closed captioning Requirements

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Introduction

"Crossfire Television" is a program produced completely on the premises of Crossfire World Outreach Ministries in Springfield, OR. It has been in existence for over 17 years and believes that it has an integral mission to the community. One of the Missions of Crossfire Ministries is "Finding the Lost, Building up the Believers, and Changing the World." We hope to do all that by showing the grace, love, and mercy of our Savior in our everyday life.

"Crossfire Television" is an edited version of our Sunday morning meetings. We believe it helps our church to reach out to those who can't attend services on Sunday morning to be a part of the service by receiving a message. Every service is shown on a weekly basis.

Each episode of "Crossfire television" is 58 minutes and 30 seconds long. It airs every Saturday morning at 11:30 am and also our Youth Meeting airs every Saturday night at 12:00 am for 29 minutes, on Fox KLSR out of Eugene, OR. The program is shot, produced, and edited here at our church. It is completely done by church volunteers with the assistance of me, the Senior Pastor and the Associate Pastors. The program consists of Sunday morning sermon from the pastor.

For the reasons set forth below, Crossfire Ministries of Springfield, OR. Hereby requests an undue burden exemption from the closed captioning rules for "Crossfire Television", pursuant to 79, 1 (f) of the Commission's rules.

Nature and Cost of Close Captions

Closed caption Maker in Baltimore, MD adds closed captioning to produced

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videos. A one hour program like we produce would cost in the neighborhood of \$630.00 per week not including the cost of us shipping overnight to the company. There is a two business day turn around for this service. Subtitles and scrolls of the entire services would be incredibly costly due to increased man hours and the potential of losing our volunteers who help with the services due to those increased hours. Then, our costs would increase dramatically due to the need to hire someone to fulfill all areas of this ministry. Also, time involved in closed captioning would severely delay our broadcast to the point that sometimes it would be out dated.

Impact on the operation of the program provider

The total cost of producing and showing "Crossfire Television" for one month runs somewhere in the neighborhood of \$3500.00. This cost does not include any "in kind" cost that would be associated with the various volunteer man hours necessary to complete the production of the entire show. As you can see from the closed captioning estimates, the cost of each show would at least double. This would severely affect our ability to continue in this ministry and could possibly bring an end to this ministry altogether. We are looking for an inexpensive solution. And in April we will be looking for software at N.A.B. Convention for closed captioning. "Crossfire" does not solicit money on air and is completely paid for through the church budget.

Financial resources for the program provider

Crossfire World Outreach Ministries of Springfield, OR is a 501c3 tax exempt religious organization. We operate on a yearly budget provided by the tithes and offerings of our members. The recent addition of locally televising our program to the surrounding area (we are only a local broadcast and are not even seriously considering any option above that) was a large step of faith on our part. To add to the cost of the production of the programming would put an incredibly large burden on our budget and steer funds away from other ministries in which our church participates. Our Local affiliate KLSR in Eugene, OR does not provide or offer the service of closed captioning to us.

Type of Operations of the Program Provider

As stated earlier, our church is a non-profit organization. Our Sunday morning service is the only programming we provide. Our other major operations and activities are geared locally toward community outreach and support.

Other factors

Petitioner believes that the local, non-news exemption to the closed

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captioning rules also applies to "Crossfire Ministries." As noted above, the program is produced and distributed locally, and the sermons of Crossfire are primarily local public interest. The episodes are not news, they do not have repeat value, and the electronic newsroom technique is not available. Notwithstanding the applicability of the exemption, we have filed this petition with an abundance of caution and for the purpose of establishing certainty.

Conclusion

As shown by this Petition and its attachments, the Commission should grant a waiver of the closed captioning requirements in this case, because requiring closed captioning would create an undue burden. The costs of captioning would be excessively high and would have a significant impact on Petitioner's operation. The petitioner's type of operations and financial resources are different in kind and magnitude from a mainstream programming provider. Because of the significant difficulty and expense of providing closed captions, a waiver under 79.1 (f) is warranted. We were Just made aware of this requirement today March 25th 2006. If more information is needed, please contact me at the address provided below.

Respectfully Submitted,

Crossfire Family Worship Center

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March 25, 2006

Enclosed: 501c3

Closed Captioning Estimate
Petition for Waiver



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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
Nonprofit Corporation

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY IN BLACK INK

1. Name of the corporation prior to the amendment:

FAMILY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

2. On a separate sheet, please state the article number(s) and set forth the article(s) as it is amended to read amendment changing the name of the above nonprofit Corporation to CROSSFIRE WORLD OUTREACH MINISTRIES.

3. The amendment(s) was adopted on January 6, ~~19~~2000 (If more than one amendment was adopted, identify the date of adoption of each amendment.)

4. Check the appropriate statement:

☒ Membership approval was not required. The amendment(s) was approved by a sufficient vote of the board of directors or incorporators.

☐ Membership approval was required. The membership vote was as follows:

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Execution: Aaron L. Taylor Aaron L. Taylor President & Pastor
Signature Printed name Title

Person to contact about this filing: Aaron L. Taylor 541-686-3473
Name Daytime phone number

Make checks payable to the Corporation Division. Submit the completed form and fee to: Corporation Division Business Registry, 158 12th Street NE, Salem, Oregon 97310-0210.

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